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Dear Tim:

How are things with you these days? I have been busy (May-June) with lectures and what not, but have had one or two interesting trips.

You have presumably heard about the very unfortunate Roseman-Copley case. Altogether a mess. They weren't at all cool, and the judge was hopelessly prejudiced. Sentencing is set for Monday. It will take a year to get it before the appellate court, and bail is rather unlikely.

Jano and I are planning to go to Mexico towards the end of July and to be there throughout August. Our final destination is Oaxaca, and I'm wondering if there's anyone we ought to see there. I'm not so interested in actually taking the mushrooms as in observing the culture that uses them, and also in getting a look at other "outsiders" (such as Wasson) who are devotees. Someone, I quite forget whom, told me of two ladies taking a protective attitude to the Oaxaca cult who were instrumental in getting the Mexican government to quash your project at Zihuatenejo. Do you know who they are?

I very much enjoyed reading proofs of THE PSYCHEDELIC EXPERIENCE. In some ways this is the first really deep psychiatric book in that it describes and tries to classify states of consciousness which ordinary psychiatry ignores, despite the fact that understanding all levels of consciousness should be its main business. Please be sure to see that the publisher lets me have a review copy.

Love from us both to you all,

*Alan.*